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COUPLING FOR PIPE AND RELATED METHODS

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## RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Sir:

This responds to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed March 21, 2007. Remarks begin below. Amendments begin on page 8.

## **REMARKS**

Based on Applicant's attorney's telephone conferences with Examiner Dunwoody on May 15, 2007; and with Supervisor Stodola on May 16, 2007, Applicant has changed the status identifier for Claims 27 through 34 (from "Previously presented" to "Cancelled"), and has added those same claims as "new" Claims 35 through 42. As further discussed below, Applicant also has cancelled Claim 8, which (combined with the refiling of Claims 27-34 as Claims 35-42) leaves Applicant with the understanding that the Examiner will have no basis for rejecting

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